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MARKER FOR GUIDING
DEPLOYMENT OF IMPLANTABLE
PROSTHESIS
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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a), an extension of time of three months is hereby requested to file a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) for the above-identified application. The present RCE responds to the Advisory Action mailed January 29, 2008, and final Office Action mailed August 31, 2007. The present Petition extends the due date for responding to the final Office Action to February 29, 2008.

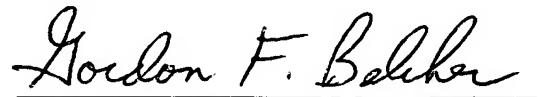
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The present Petition requires a fee which is believed to be \$1,050.00. The U.S. Patent and Trademark Office (USPTO) is authorized and requested to charge this fee to Deposit Account No. 08-2461.

No other fee is believed to be required for entry of the present RCE in the record of the above-identified application and consideration thereof. However, if any fee is required, the USPTO is authorized and requested to charge the fee required for entry of the present RCE in the above-identified application and consideration thereof to Deposit Account No. 08-2461. Also, if a fee has been overpaid, the USPTO is authorized and requested to credit the fee to Deposit Account No. 08-2461.

If the Examiner has any questions regarding the above-identified application, the Applicants' attorney, Gordon F. Belcher, is requested to be contacted at the telephone number below.

Respectfully submitted,



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